

HABS

MO,

37-HERM.Y

5-

Oeschlager House
Highway 100
Hermann vicinity
Gasconade County
Missouri

HABS No. MO-1759

PHOTOGRAPHS
WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

Historic American Buildings Survey
National Park Service
Department of the Interior
Washington, D.C. 20013-7127

HABS
MO,
37-HERM.V,
5-

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

OESCHLAGER HOUSE

HABS No. MO-1759

Location: Highway 100, two miles east of Hermann, Hermann vicinity,
Gasconade County, Missouri

HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

The following information was recorded by Alexander Piaget and Charles van Ravenswaay at the time the photograph was taken:

Stone section built 1875. Frame addition built 1912.

Christopher Frederick Oelschlaeger (b. Wurtemberg, 1827), was son of Daniel and Christina P. Oelschlaeger, both natives of Wurtemberg. In 1833, the family emigrated to Philadelphia and became members of the German settlement society who founded Hermann. In 1837 they moved to Hermann and soon after purchased the present Oelschlaeger farm. In 1851, Oeschlaeger married Mariah Krattli, a native of Switzerland. The first farm house built here was of log with a dirt floor. To this was added the present stone section and in 1912, the log part was removed and the present frame section built on its site.

Present owner, Mrs. Margretta Oelschlaeger, came to the U.S. at the age of eleven. Family lived near Des Moines, Iowa, then Berger, Missouri. She married Frederick Oelschlaeger, a son of C.F. Oeschlaeger, in 1897.

The house is in fair condition; the alterations made during the years have been relatively minor. The kitchen in the original log section, destroyed in 1912, had a dirt floor and a large fireplace with wooden lintel. The fireplace did not have a bake oven in it. The wood work was originally unpainted.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Mrs. Margretta Oeschlaeger, present owner.
Goodspeed's History, p. 1110.

PROJECT INFORMATION

The Piaget-van Ravenswaay Survey consists of a number of photographs, primarily of sites and structures in Missouri, which were taken before 1938 by Alexander Piaget and after that by Paul Piaget, both in conjunction with Charles van Ravenswaay. Photographs of buildings were incorporated into the HABS collection in 1985 by Laura Rupp and in 1986 by Deborah Fulton, HABS historians. A master list is available in the ~~MO-1800~~ records for MO-1800.